

## Some Results on Prime Cordial Labeling of Graphs

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### ABSTRACT

A Prime Cordial labeling of a graph  $G$  with the vertex set  $V(G)$  is a bijection  $f$  from  $V(G)$  to  $\{1, 2, 3 \dots |V(G)|\}$  such that each edge  $uv$  is assigned the label 1, if  $\gcd(f(u), f(v)) = 1$  and 0 if  $\gcd(f(u), f(v)) \geq 1$  then the number of edges labeled with 0 and the number of edges labeled with 1 differ by atmost 1. A graph which admits a prime cordial labeling is called a prime cordial graph. In this paper, we prove that the ternary  $X$ -tree and  $C_n^{(3)}$  are prime cordial.

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## INTRODUCTION

We consider a finite, connected undirected graph  $G = (V(G), E(G))$ . For standard terminology and notations we follows Bondy J.A. and Murthy USR[4]. In this section we provide brief summary of definition and the required information for our investigation.

The graph labeling is an assignment of numbers to the vertices or edges or both subject to certain condition(s). If the domain of the mapping is the set of vertices (edges) then the labeling is called a vertex labeling (edge labeling).

Many types of labeling schemes have been introduced so far and explored as well by many researchers. Graph labelings have enormous applications within mathematics as well as to several areas of computer science and communication networks. According to Beineke and Hegde<sup>[1]</sup> graph labeling serves as a frontier between number theory and structure of graphs. For a dynamic survey on various graph labeling problems along with an extensive bibliography we refer to Gallian<sup>[5]</sup>.

The study of prime numbers is of great importance as prime numbers are scattered and there are arbitrarily large gaps in the sequence of prime numbers. The notation of prime labeling was originated by Entringer and was introduced by Tout et al.<sup>[8]</sup>.

After this many researchers have explored the notion of prime labeling for various graphs. Vaidya and Prajapati<sup>[10,11]</sup> have investigated many results on prime labeling. Same authors<sup>[12]</sup> have discussed prime labeling in the context of duplications of graph elements.

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Motivated through the concepts of prime labeling and cordial labeling a new concepts termed as prime cordial labeling was introduced by Sundaram et al.<sup>[7]</sup> which contains blend of both the labeling.

## MAIN RESULTS

**Definition 2.1:** ( $X$ -tree)  $X$ -tree is the graph obtained by taking five paths  $P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4$  and  $P_5$  of some length and identifying the end vertices of  $P_1, P_2, P_3$  and then identifying the other end vertex of  $P_3$  with the end vertices of  $P_4$  and  $P_5$ .

**Theorem 2.2 :** Ternary  $X$ -tree is prime cordial.

**Proof:** Let,

$$\begin{aligned} V(G) &= \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-1}, u_{n+2}, \dots, u_{2n-1}, u_{2n+2}, \dots, u_{3n-1}, \\ &\quad v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1}, v_{n+2}, \dots, v_{2n-1}, v_{2n+2}, \dots, v_{3n-1}, w_1 \\ &= v_n = w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n \\ &= u_{2n}, v_{2n}, w_{n+1}, w_{n+2}, \dots, w_{2n-1}, w_{2n} = u_{3n} \\ &= v_{n+1}, w_{2n+1}, \dots, w_{3n-1}, w_{3n} = v_{2n} = u_{n+1}\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1, n+1 \leq i \leq 2n \text{ and } 2n+1 \leq i \leq 3n\} \cup \{v_i v_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1, n+1 \leq i \leq 2n \text{ and } 2n+1 \leq i \leq 3n\} \cup \{w_i w_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1, n+1 \leq i \leq 2n \text{ and } 2n+1 \leq i \leq 3n\}$$

**Case (i):**  $n$  is even

Define a labeling  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 9(n-1) + 1\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{by } f(u_i) &= 2i - 1 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f(v_i) &= 2i \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f(w_i) &= 2n + (2i - 2) \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor \\ f(w_n) &= 3n - 3, \\ f(w_{n-i}) &= f(w_n) - 2i \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor - 1 \\ f(v_{n+1}) &= 3n, \\ f(v_i) &= f(v_{i-1}) + 2 \quad \text{for } n+2 \leq i \leq 2n-1 \\ f(u_{n+1}) &= 3n-1, \\ f(u_i) &= f(u_{i-1}) + 2 \quad \text{for } n+2 \leq i \leq 2n-1 \\ f(w_{n+1}) &= 5n-2, \\ f(w_i) &= f(w_{i-1}) + 2 \quad \text{for } n+2 \leq i \leq 2n-1 \\ f(v_{2n+1}) &= 5n-3, \\ f(u_i) &= f(u_{i-1}) + 2 \quad \text{for } 2n+2 \leq i \leq 3n-1 \\ f(v_{2n+1}) &= 7n-5, \\ f(v_i) &= f(v_{i-1}) + 2 \quad \text{for } 2n+2 \leq i \leq 3n-1 \\ f(w_{2n+1}) &= 7n-4, \\ f(w_i) &= f(w_{i-1}) + 2 \quad \text{for } 2n+2 \leq i \leq 3n-1 \end{aligned}$$

**Case (ii):** if  $n$  is odd  $n \geq 9$ ,  $n+1 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  and  $n+1 \equiv 0 \pmod{10}$

Define a labeling  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 9(n-1) + 1\}$  by

$$f(u_i) = 2i - 1 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f(v_i) &= 2i && \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\
f(w_i) &= 2n + (2i - 2) && \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor \\
f(w_n) &= 3n - 2 \\
f(w_{n-i}) &= f(w_n) - 2i && \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor \\
f(v_{n+1}) &= 3n - 1 \\
f(v_i) &= f(v_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } n+2 \leq i \leq 2n-1 \\
f(u_{n+1}) &= 3n \\
f(u_i) &= f(u_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } n+2 \leq i \leq 2n-1 \\
f(w_{n+1}) &= 5n - 3 \\
f(w_i) &= f(w_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } n+2 \leq i \leq 2n-1 \\
f(u_{2n+1}) &= 5n - 2 \\
f(u_i) &= f(u_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } 2n+2 \leq i \leq 3n-1 \\
f(v_{2n+1}) &= 7n - 4 \\
f(v_i) &= f(v_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } 2n+2 \leq i \leq 3n-1 \\
f(w_{2n+1}) &= 7n - 5 \\
f(w_i) &= f(w_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } 2n+2 \leq i \leq 3n-1
\end{aligned}$$

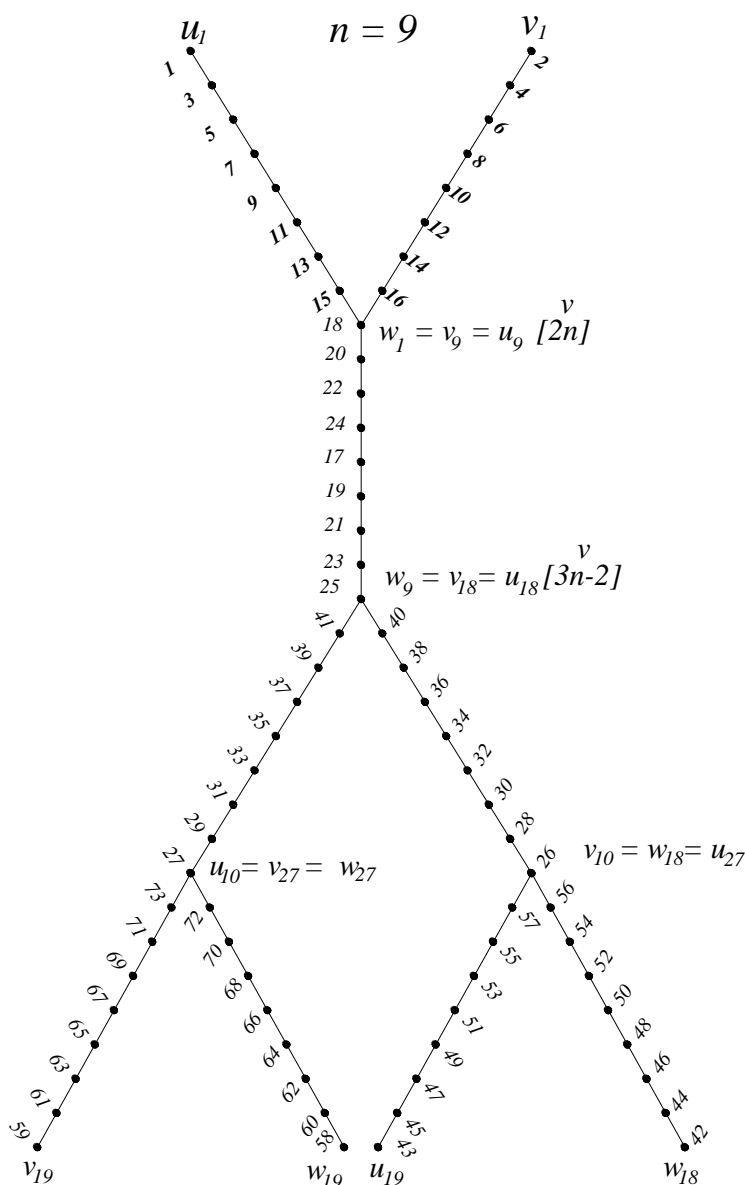
**Case (iii)** If  $n$  is odd  $n \geq 9$ ,  $n+1 \equiv 0(mod 3)$  and  $n+1 \not\equiv 0(mod 10)$

Interchange the labels of  $w_{n-2}$  and  $w_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 2}$ , in case (ii)

**Case (iv):** If  $n$  is odd and  $n \equiv 0(mod 3)$

Define a labeling  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 9(n-1) + 1\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
f(u_i) &= 2i - 1 && \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\
f(v_i) &= 2i && \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\
f(w_i) &= 2n + (2i - 2) && \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor \\
f(w_n) &= 3n - 2 \\
f(w_{n-i}) &= f(w_n) - 2i && \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor \\
f(v_{n+1}) &= 3n - 1 \\
f(v_i) &= f(v_{i-1}) && \text{for } n+2 \leq i \leq 2n-1 \\
f(u_{n+1}) &= 3n \\
f(u_i) &= f(u_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } n+2 \leq i \leq 2n-1 \\
f(w_{n+1}) &= 5n - 3 \\
f(w_i) &= f(w_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } n+2 \leq i \leq 2n-1 \\
f(u_{2n+1}) &= 5n - 2 \\
f(v_i) &= f(v_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } 2n+2 \leq i \leq 3n-1 \\
f(v_{2n+1}) &= 7n - 4 \\
f(v_i) &= f(v_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } 2n+2 \leq i \leq 3n-1 \\
f(w_{2n+1}) &= 7n - 5 \\
f(w_i) &= f(w_{i-1}) + 2 && \text{for } 2n+2 \leq i \leq 3n-1
\end{aligned}$$



**Theorem: 2.3** The graph  $C_n^{(3)}$  is prime cordial labeling, where  $n$  is odd and  $n \geq 5$ .

**Proof:** Let  $V(G) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-1}, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1}, w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{n-1}, u_n = v_n = w_n\}$

$$E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, v_i v_{i+1}, w_i w_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$$

Define a labeling  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 3n-2\}$

Let  $u_n = v_n = w_n = 3n-2$

$$f\left(u_{\frac{n}{2}}\right) = 1$$

$$f(u_i) = n-1-2i \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$$

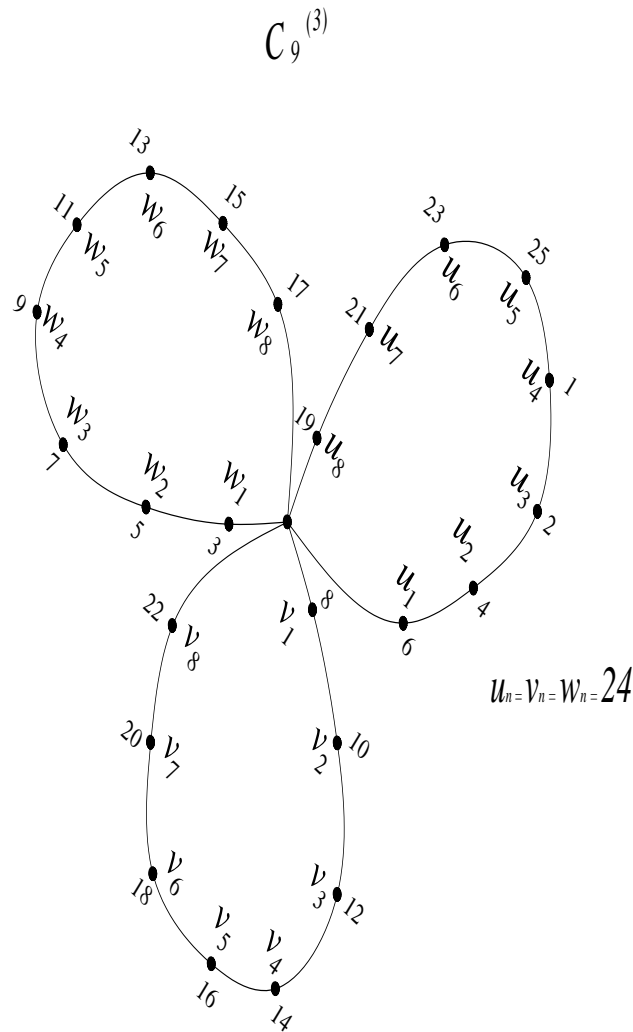
$$f(u_i) = 4n-2i-1 \quad \text{for } \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor + 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(v_i) = n+2i-3 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(w_i) = 2i+1 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

This satisfies  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence  $C_n^{(3)}$  is prime cordial.



**Theorem: 2.4** Cycle  $C_n$ , with five chords (makes double triangle),  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  is prime cordial ( $n$  is even)  $n \geq 12$ .

**Proof: Case 1** Let  $G$  by the Cycle  $C_n$ ,  $n$  is even,  $n \geq 12$ .

Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  be the vertices of cycle  $C_n$ .

Let  $e'_1 = u_1 u_3$ ,  $e'_2 = u_3 u_{n-1}$ ,  $e'_3 = u_3 u_{\frac{n}{2}+1}$ ,  $e'_4 = u_{n-1} e'_5 = u_1 u_{n-1}$  be chords of the cycle  $C_n$ .

We define the labeling  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  as follows :

$f(u_1) = 2$ ,  $f(u_2) = 4$ ,  $f(u_3) = 6$ ,  $f(u_n) = 1$

Label the consecutive vertices  $u_i$ ,  $4 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$  by  $8, 10, \dots, n$ . and label the remaining vertices  $u_i$ , where  $\frac{n}{2} + 1 \leq i \leq n-1$ . by  $3, 5, 7, 9, \dots, n-1$

In view of the above labeling pattern, we have

$$|ef(0) - ef(1)| \leq 1.$$

Hence  $C_n$  with five chord is prime cordial.

**Case 2:** The Cycle  $C_n$  with five chords (makes double triangle) is prime cordial if  $n$  is even (except  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ )

Here inter change  $u_{n-1}$  by  $u_{n-3}$

in view of the above labeling pattern, we have

$$|ef(0) - ef(1)| \leq 1.$$

Hence  $C_n$  with five chord is prime cordial

**Theorem : 2.5** The Cycle  $C_n$  with five chords (makes double triangle) is prime cordial if  $n$  is odd,  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ ,  $n \geq 9$  and  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be the Cycle  $C_n$ ,  $n$  is even  $n \geq 9$ .  
Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  be the vertices of cycle  $C_n$ .

Let  $e'_1 = u_1 u_3$ ,  $e'_2 = u_3 u_{n-1}$

$e'_3 = u_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1} u_{n-1}$ ,  $e'_4 = u_3 u_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1}$  and  $e'_5 = u_1 u_{n-1}$  be the chords of the cycle  $C_n$  we define

the labeling by  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  as follows

$f(u_1) = 2$ ,  $f(u_2) = 4$ ,  $f(u_3) = 6$ ,  $f(u_n) = 1$ . Label the consecutive vertices  $u_i$ ,  $4 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$  and label the

remaining vertices  $u_i$ ,  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1 \leq i \leq n$  by  $3, 5, 7, 9, \dots, n$

in view of the above labeling pattern, we have

$$|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1.$$

Hence  $C_n$  with five chord is prime cordial

## CONCLUSION

By using a property from number theory, we examined the existence of prime cordial labeling of graphs. To investigate analogous results for different graphs as well as in the context of various graph labeling problems is an open area of research.

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